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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Plans

SUBJECT : Malfunction Report, Period Ending 28 February 1959

1. The following malfunction information is presented for the period ending 28 February 1959:

I. Communications

A. Detachment C - Some interference was encountered between [REDACTED] equipments in aircraft 378. Corrective action is being taken but has not been completed as of this date.

B. Detachment B - A regulated 150 volt supply failed in [REDACTED] equipment while on test flight. The supply was repaired and is not functioning properly.

II. Photographic Equipment

A. During the period 2 February 1959 through 28 February 1959, there were a total of twenty-five missions flown using photographic equipment. During this period there were no A-1 missions.

Equipment reliability for the above referenced period was:

Mission flown	$\frac{A-2}{3}$	$\frac{B}{8}$	<u>Insurers</u>
Malfunctions	$\frac{1}{67\%}$	$\frac{0}{100\%}$	$\frac{25}{72\%}$
Per Cent Eff.			

B. The A-2 malfunction was due to a shutter trip latch spring failure. This is first such failure since August 1958. This type of failure (spring breaking at first coil) caused by crimping or denting of spring during manufacture. This may have been one of the springs which was not discarded during the rejection process in August 1958.

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C. Six (6 ) of the seven (7) malfunctions were due to misadjustments. The 7th malfunction was due to material failure. We have asked for (a.) complete history on units malfunctioning, (b.) we have informed P&E we believe type of failures are inexcusable and we wish them to take immediate action to see to it that preflight and post flight maintenance are handled conscientiously and expeditiously.

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